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House Resolution 2021

By: Representative Hatfield of the 177<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Expressing regret at the passing of Bernice Geraldine Strickland Gorday; and for other
- 2 purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on May 4, 2007, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most
- 4 distinguished citizens with the passing of Bernice Geraldine Strickland Gorday; and
- 5 WHEREAS, she was a woman of deep and abiding faith who was a member of Central
- 6 Baptist Church, Mary Martha Sunday School Class, and Merry Makers; and
- 7 WHEREAS, she was a homemaker, a loving wife, a devoted mother to sons Randall Joseph,
- 8 James Clyde, and Ronald Glenn, and a doting grandmother to eight grandchildren and 11
- 9 great-grandchildren; and
- 10 WHEREAS, she was preceded in death by her husband, James Arnold Gorday, one son,
- 11 Ronald Glenn Gorday, and eight brothers and sisters;
- 12 WHEREAS, she was a distinguished lady with a generous heart whose lifetime of patient and
- 13 kind service helped so many others; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the devotion, patience, and understanding she demonstrated provided the
- 15 foundation and framework of success in which all of her family members have developed
- and flourished; and
- 17 WHEREAS, this distinguished senior gentlewoman gave inspiration to many through her
- high ideals, morals, and deep concern for her fellow citizens, and she possessed the vast
- 19 wisdom which only comes through experience and the strength of character which is
- 20 achieved through overcoming the many challenges of life; and

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1 WHEREAS, she was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation

- 2 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example she made of her life,
- 3 she made this world a better place in which to live.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 5 the members of this body express their deepest and most sincere regret at the passing of
- 6 Bernice Geraldine Strickland Gorday.
- 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Bernice G.
- 9 Gorday.